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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, US, SO, KE, SU, DJ, YE
SUBJECT: HORN POLICY UPDATE

REF: STATE 147850

1. ON 15 JUNE I USED TALKING POINTS IN REFTEL WITH
YEMENI DEPUTY MINISTER IBRAHIM AL-KIBSI.

2. KIBSI WELCOMED WHAT HE CALLED "NEEDED AND NEW
FOCUS" AND WHAT "NEW VIGOR" IN OUR EFFORTS IN HORN,
BUT ASKED WHETHER OR NOT IT WAS POSSIBLE TO HAVE
REFTEL WHICH DESCRIBED POLICY IN THIS "REGION" AND
OMITTED ANY MENTION OF YAR? DIDN'T PDRY, BY
THREATENING YAR, CREATE "PROBLEM FOR WESTERN INTERESTS"
IN REGION? WEREN'T SOVIETS AND CUBANS INVOLVED IN
"ADVENTURE" IN PDRY? DIDN'T YAR FIGURE IN US EFFORTS
TO "CONSOLIDATE WESTERN AND MODERATE INFLUENCES" IN
REGION?

COMMENT: KIBSI WAS JUST MUSING OUT LOUD BUT IT
MAY BE RIGHT TO TALK OF HORNS OF AFRICA YEMENS ARE IN
OTHER HORN. SO FAR, WHILE YAR OFFICIALS HAVE BEEN KEPT
INFORMED OF US HORN POLICY, THEY HAVEN'T FIGURED IN IT
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AT ALL. IF PDRY UPS THE ANTE BY FOMENTING INSURRECTION
IN YAR, THIS MAY HAVE TO CHANGE.
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